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1. All regulations hitherto in force forbidding visits to West Berlin have been canceled, and replaced by a new order, issued by the State Secretariat for State Security, which is binding on all the armed forces of East Germany, including the KVP, the regular police, the Transportpolizei, and the border police. 25X1
2. The order states that visits to West Berlin are strictly forbidden for all members of the armed forces and their auxiliaries. Any deliberate attempt to disobey the order, as well as any offense through carelessness, will be punishable under the special law for the protection of the peace and the laws on offenses against Article 6 of the Constitution.
3. A similar regulation in the form of an administrative order has been issued to all ministries, Hauptverwaltungen, and Bezirk governments, which will be incorporated as a permanent clause in all general orders issued in workshops and industrial concerns. It will be binding on all employees, and infringements will lead to punishments similar to those given for offenses against statutory law.
4. The final date for putting this order into effect is 31 October 1955.

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